

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2316 - HB 2425

January 30, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides for an additional circumstance for a hearing regarding grandparent visitation if the custodial parents oppose visitation. Under the provisions of the bill, if there was an existing relationship for 12 months or more, the parents severed the relationship for reasons other than abuse or danger of harm to the child, and the severance of the relationship is likely to cause severe emotional harm to the child, the grandparent may petition the court for a hearing.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Increase State Revenues - Not Significant

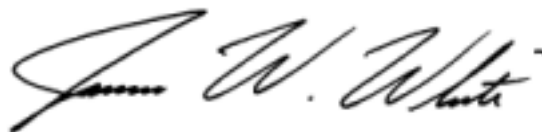
Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant

Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant

Estimate assumes some increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenues from fees, taxes, and costs collected. However, such increases will not be significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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